SB 798 (DeSaulnier) As Amended January 11, 2010

21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING PROGRAM Fact Sheet

SUMMARY

SB 798 will make improvements to California's 21st Century Community Learning Centers program (21st CCLC) so that federal dollars coming to California for quality after school programs more effectively target students' and families' needs for after school services.

BACKGROUND

When the state created its plan for implementing the federal 21st CCLC program, it was aligned with California's existing state after school program, After School Education and Safety (ASES), with most of the same obligations and performance objectives.

The 21st CCLC plan in California sought to accommodate high school after school programs that were not part of the ASES program. Therefore, federal funds for program grants were split 50-50 between high school and elementary/middle schools. Since then, many strong high school after school programs have been established, but, the number of high schools seeking new funding has been decreasing while the number of elementary and middle schools seeking funding continues to be very high.

In addition, the original implementation plan did not accommodate the range of needs throughout the year, including services during periods when the school is closed (e.g. vacation periods, intersession). Currently children can receive substantial academic and enrichment benefits during the 9 months of the regular school year, then lose ground during the 2 ½ -3 months of summer vacation.

THIS BILL

This bill will make the following improvement: Change the existing set-asides to:

- a. 50% for elementary/middle school grants – within this, an applicant could apply for year-round programming, school-year only, or summer only
- b. 35% for high school ASSET's grants
- c. 15% for summer programs

The percentages cited above would become effective when California's allocation increased from the 2008-09 appropriation.

This bill has no state cost. The new provisions proposed go into effect only to the extent additional federal funds are received, and the department's costs are paid for exclusively with federal dollars.

STATUS

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SUPPORT

- Bay Area Partnership for Children and Youth (Co-sponsor)
- League of California After-school Providers (Co-sponsor)
- After School All-Stars LA
- Aim High
- Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Third District
- Association of California School Administrators
- Breakthrough Collaborative
- Boys & Girls Clubs California Alliance
- Boys & Girls Clubs Garden Grove
- Boys & Girls Club of Hollywood
- Boys & Girls Clubs of the Los Angeles Harbor

- California Food Policy Advocates
- California School Boards Association
- Central Valley Afterschool Foundation
- Children Now
- Conservation Corps of Long Beach
- Coachella Valley Unified School District, Afterschool Program
- Contra Costa County
- CyberMill Technology Center
- City of Sacramento
- Desert Sands Unified School District
- Fight Crime: Invest in Kids California
- Girls Incorporated of Alameda County
- Junior Leagues of California
- LA's BEST
- Long Beach Unified School District, Wrap After School Program
- Los Angeles County Office of Education
- Rio Hondo Boys & Girls Club
- San Bernardino City Unified School District
- San Francisco Department of Children, Youth & Their Families
- San Juan Unified School District
- Sunset Neighborhood Beacon Center
- **Team Prime Time**
- Watts/Willowbrook Boys & Girls Club
- West Contra Costa Unified School District
- Woodcraft Rangers
- A World Fit For Kids
- YMCA of East Bay, West Contra Costa Branch

OPPOSITION

None on File

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